



## **Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works**

**Date:** September 16, 2003  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Referral to:** Honorable Barb Johnson, Chair Ways & Means Committee  
**Subject:** **Issue Request for Proposals (RFP) for the processing and marketing of recyclable materials from the City's Residential Recycling Program**

### **Recommendation:**

Direct Public Works to issue an RFP for the processing and marketing of the City's recyclables and direct staff to return to Committee with a recommendation for the contract (s) for a processing and marketing vendor(s).

### **Previous Directives:**

- The existing contract for processing and marketing the City's recyclables expires December 31, 2003
- The existing contract has been previously extended by 18 months.

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**Approved by:**

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**Presenters:** Susan Young, Solid Waste and Recycling

### **Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

☒ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- ☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- ☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- ☐ Other financial impact (Explain):

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Background/Supporting Information:**

The city collects an average of 24,000 tons of recyclables from approximately 108,000 residential dwelling units each year. The City contracts with a private vendor, B.F.I. Waste Systems, Inc., for the processing and marketing of these recyclables. That contract, which has already been extended by 18 months, will end December 31, 2003. There are now several entities in the Metro area that are capable of processing and marketing the City's recyclables, ensuring a competitive environment for issuance of the RFP.